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SRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2019

Present / Quorum met: Tom Dickey, Brenda Merz, Shelley Nordin, Barbara Eliuk, John Park (via conference call) and Myrna Moline

Residents in Attendance: Sharon Ellis (volunteer By-law updates)

Meeting called to order at 6:40pm.

1. **Approval of January 10, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes.** The meeting minutes from the January 10th Board Meeting were distributed to members in attendance via email in the week following the meeting. **The minutes were passed via email and posted to the website.**
2. **Financial Update.** The Financial Statements previously reviewed by the board in the January 10, 2019 meeting have been provided to Cara Griffiths for audit prior to the AGM. Cara's audit of the financials will be completed by February 28, 2019 and the audited financials will be presented at the AGM in April.

Invoices for the 2019 Fees were sent out electronically and by mail on January 31, 2019. Approximately 20% of invoices have been paid as of February 7th.

The 2019 Insurance Policy for the Association has been renewed.

The Digital Post contract has been renewed for an additional 2 year term.

3. **Bylaw Update.** Sharon Ellis, who has volunteered to assist with updating the SRA Bylaws, provided a summary of her finding related to areas of the Bylaws that are outdated. Given the volume of her findings, there will need to be a prioritization of her recommendations so that the most impactful changes can be addressed and approved by the membership at the AGM in April. Sharon will summarize her recommendations in writing and distribute them to the Board members via email prior to the March 7th Board Meeting when they will be discussed.
4. **Communications Update – Members Survey.** Shelley provided the Board with a draft of the Community Survey developed by the Survey Committee. Feedback was provided related to the survey questions. Shelley will incorporate the Board's feedback into the survey as soon as possible so that the survey can be provided to SRA Membership in ample time for compilation of the survey results prior to the AGM.



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- 5. Legal Update.** A lawsuit has been raised against the Springside Residents' Association President and Treasurer by Drago Crnogorac of 237 Wentworth Pk SW. All costs associated with the lawsuit are covered by the Directors' Insurance policy held by the SRA. The matter has been referred to the SRA's insurance company, who has engaged legal counsel to defend the action taken against the board members.

Mr. Crnogorac asked to sit in on the board meeting, however due to his conflict of interest (in that he is presently suing two members of the board), his attendance was voted on and it was unanimously passed that he not be allowed to attend the meeting. Mr. Crnogorac then left the room.

Tom has requested an update from the lawyer regarding outstanding collection. He will provide an update at the next board meeting.

- 6. Landscaping Update.** Tom will meet with the committee next week with the goal of finalizing the scope of work. The committee is a week ahead of schedule.
- 7. Hand off from Contractor.** The hand off of duties from the contractor who has provided support services is going very well. It is anticipated that over next month the remaining duties previously performed by the contractor will be assigned to Board members or volunteers. With the addition of new board members and volunteers the expectation is that G&A costs will be reduced greatly in 2019 as contractor costs will be significantly reduced.
- 8. AGM Update.** The 2019 AGM is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th at West Ridge School (8903 Wentworth Ave SW). Work has begun on drafting the Agenda, Notification and Proxy documents. The focus of the March 7th Board meeting will be on AGM preparations.

- 9. New Business.**

John Park suggested the board contact other associations in the area about collectively looking at security measures that can be taken to reduce crime in our communities. This will be added as a future agenda item.

A Constable from the Calgary Police Service attended a portion of the Meeting to address community safety and harassing behaviors being experienced by community members. His recommendations were:

- Community members should consider installing cameras on their property as it has been the experience of CPS that this is a strong deterrent to criminal behavior.
- Refrain from leaving keys in cars, even for just a minute, while they are being warmed up.



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- Encourage people to safely report speeding along Bow Trail and Wentworth Drive (as well as other areas in the community) as traffic volumes increase and more speeding has been observed.

The constable also addressed the request for assistance related to the harassing behavior related to the misuse of emails and other associated behaviors for members of the community. A resource officer with CPS is to be contacted and will work with the Board and community members to address the offensive behavior.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 7, 2019 at 6:30 in Amica's private dining room.